"Awfully glad to see you:"
"Awfully good to come."
The rest, as the dameels tea you,
Is lost in the wildering hum.
Nobody comes to free you
Of saucer and spoon and cup;
So you stand and sinile
In a vacant siyle
And long to be out and up.
Nove, if the swift dexterity
Known to the clown be thine;
That's what you see
At five o clock tea.
Served at a social shrine."

"At homes" are the invitation features of interest in society's domain for the coming week, the houses to be hospitably opened being those of Mr. George K. Wheat and Mr. Charles N. Hancher, while the regular Monday meeting of the Charity Whist, the weekly meeting of the Wednesday Charity Whist, eight performances of light opera at the Opera House, a brilliant concert at the Second Presbyterian church and innumerable private card sets fill up the spaces in society's game. More formal affairs are in talk, but the epidemic of grip, now having firm hold here, may not permit a realization of several anticipated functions Delightful club receptions and out-oftown-guest-of-honor luncheons during ek just ending are still causes for complimentary expressions of the hotesses of the occasions, but of these

Mrs. Frank J. Hearne and Mrs. D. Garth Hearne handsomely entertained the Married Ladles' Euchre Club at the home of Col. F. J. Hearne, Card playing was done in the barn of the Hearne grounds. The prize winners were Mrs. Clarke Hamilton, ir., and Miss Fannie Clark, of Yonkers, N. Y., guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. Walker Peterson. Guests of the hostesses to the club were Mrs. Smith, of New York, guest of Colonei, and Mrs. D. Garth Hearne; Miss Mikesell, of Quince, Ill., guest of Colonei and Mrs. D. Garth Hearne; Miss Clark, one of the prize winners; Mrs. Dent, wife of Ensign Dent, United States Navy; Mrs. John H. Storer and Mrs. Frank J. John H. Storer and Mrs. Frank J. John H. Storer and Mrs. Frank J. John H. Storer and Mrs. Frank Hearne Crockard, briden of this winter. The next reception will be on Wednesday, January II, at the home of Mr. Glisson Lamb, Echo Point.

The death of Mrs. Elizabeth Greer, wife of Mr. J. R. Greer, one of Wheeling's prominent citizens for years, but now of Pasadena, Cal., was regretfully heard. The graciousness and charm of Mrs. Greer made the yeared and cultured home over which she presided an attractive one to society at large. Mrs. Greer is survived by her sister, Mrs. Martha Johnson, who resides east of the city, and by her husband, her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Greer, and her sons, Mr. J. R. Greer, jr., and Rev. Dr. David Greer, rector of St. Bartholomew's, in New York. To these and the grand-children, now favorites in Wheeling's social realm, the older portion of the social realm, the older portion of the community which knew her, extends

The Monday Charity Whist had brilliant enterthinment at the home of Colonel and Mrs. Morris Horkhelmer, on Fourteenth street. The house was beautifully decorated and lighted and each guest received from Mrs. Horkhelmer, a water selection. heimer a water-color gem, in compil-anent of the gift season. The prize-winner of the game was Mrs. James Next reception will be tendered the club Monday afternoon, by Mrs. George E. Boyd, at the Boyd home on

Miss Helen Caldwell, with Miss Martha Ott, Miss Ethel Balley and her sister, Miss Laura Caldwell, charmingly
entertained at the home of General Alfred Caldwell, on North Main street,
This bright coterie meets every week at
the home of one of the young ladles.
Those invited this week were Mr.
Robert Hazlett, Mr. J. Doulon Merriman, Mr. Joseph Naylor, and Mr. Clarence Giffen. Next Thursday evening.
Miss Martha Ott, at the home of her
paronis, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ott, on
Fourteenth street, will be the entertainor.

Mrs. D. Garth Hearne delightfully entertained with a luncheon at her pretty home in Leatherwood, in homor of her fuest, Miss Mikesell, of Quinex, III. Those invited to meet Miss Mikesell Saturday aftermon, were Mrs. Frank J. Hearne, and her guest, Mrs. Smith, of the borough of Manhattan; Miss Fannie Clark, guest of Mrs. B. Walker Peterson, of Yonkers, N. Y.; Mrs. Nathaniel S. Thomas, Mrs. G. A. Aschmann, Miss Martha Caldwell, Miss Lillio Vance and Miss Shirley Brockunter.

From the advance sale a large andi-From the advance sale a large andi-ence is in evidence for the concert and solree at the Second Presbyterian church next Tuesday evening. A mag-tificent programme has been arranged, It is printed in full in "Musical Wheel-ing" this morning. The performers rank among the first concert-stagers of the city and a high class performance is assured. Refreshments will round out the social part of an enjoyable evening.

Invitations have reached the city, for the wedding of Miss Caroline Basself, second daughter of Hon. John Basself, of Clarksburg, and Dr. Waldo Percy Goff, son of Judge Nathan Goff. Miss Basself is well known in this city, having often been the charming guest of her sister. Mrs. Charles W. List. of North Main street. The prominence in West Virginia of the interested families makes the coming marriage a notable makes the coming marriage a notable one. The muptials will be solemnized in the Clarksburg Episcopal church Wednesday evening, January 25, followed by a reception at the Bassell homestead to a privileged number dound by a reception at the Bassell homestead to a privileged number dound by intimate these of friendship. In the house-party invited to spend-the wedding week with the bride-clect, Wheeling society will be represented by Mrs. Frank J. Hearne, Mrs. Charles Howard Simpson, Mrs. Pecbles Tatum, Mrs. A. F. Husted, Mrs. Sup. M. Caldwell, Miss Florence Ott and Miss Kate Haalett, Colonel Frank J. Hearne, Mr. A. F. Husted, Mr. Charles Howard Simpson and Mr. Pecbles Tatum, are among the number of gentlemen taking up their quarters in the hotel for a few days aftendards in the hotel for a few days after previous to the wedding day. makes the coming marriage a notable

tors present as guests of the club were Miss Elizabeth List, guest of Mrs. Gibron Lamb; Miss Ray, guest of Mrs. Archibald Hupp, and Miss Clark, guest of Mrs. B. Walker Peterson. The next reception will be at the residence of Mrs. Marion Harper, on Fifteenth street, Thursday, January 25.

The members of the Island club enterained with a dancing party at the

Mrs. Wilbur Topping, before accom-panying her two sons to college, gave a young people's party, in their honor, friday evening at the Topping home in

The Beekmann—Emshelmer wedding was brilliantly solemnized Wednesday at high noon, at the family home of the bride, on Sixteenth street. Rev. Levi impressively read the marriage rites, after which followed a brief reception with the following out-of-town guests present: Miss Sadie Byers, of New City; Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel E. Beekman, Miss Phyllis Beckman, Boston, Misse, Gustave Emshelmer, Cleveland, O., Milton M. Beekman, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Hirshberg, Charlotte, N. C.; Milton C. Blum, Philadelphia, and Henry Emshelmer, Cleveland, Ohlo.

land, Ohlo,

The wedding party proper was made up of Mr. Charles J. Beekmann, groom, with his attendants, Messrs, Milton J. Beekman, Gabriel S. Emshelmer, S. Beekman Frank, and Samuel J. Beekman. Miss Jennie Emshelmer, bride, daughter of Mr. Joseph Emshelmer, and her attendants, Misses Hattle Emshelmer, Lillian Frank, Cora Emshelmer, Pauline Frank, Phyllis Beekmann, Fannie Schlessinger, Alma Frank and Marie Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Beekmann will be at home at the Stamm after February 10.

Mrs. Cyrus P. Filck was elected "Queen of the Epiphang" and Mr. Hul-lihen Quarrier "King," for the year of 1899, at the Twettin Night revel last Priday, at the home of Mr, and Mrs. John D. Culbertson, Echo Point,

Miss Jennie Baird Wilson is regent of the Daughters of the Revolution since the deplored death of Mrs. Laura Upde-graff Baird, who held the position of re-nent of the Wheeling Chapter of the Daughters since its founding.

A meeting of the Daughters of the in the club rooms in the Reilly block, on Fourteenth street.

Miss Gertrude Fisher, youngest daughter of Mrs. Benjamin S. Fisher, of Fourteenth street, is charmingly entertaining Miss Maude Warren, of Tolodo, Miss Warren is a niece of the great Edison.

Mrs. William P. Heiskell, of Woods-lale, is in New York.

Miss Louise Todd Baird, of Four-teenth street, will spend the remainder of the winter in Richmond, Va., as the guest of Mrs. Chiles Farrell, nee Miss Kate White, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Robert White, of this city.

Miss Marie Belle Howell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Allen Howell, and Miss Holly Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew H. Patterson, now in Havana, as the readers of the Intelligencer know, through a series of entertaining letters from there by Mrs. Patterson, expect to spend some time this month with relatives in Pittsburch.

Mrs. J. C. Brown, of Pittsburgh, ne Miss Sydney Helskell, of this city, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Rus sell, South Front street, Island.

Mrs. Mande Eccles Heiskell is III at the residence of her aunt, Mrs. Marga-ret Dalzell, on North Chapline street Mrs. Helskell was in a New York trip party to have left here last Wednesday but which this lilness debars,

The Players' club is rehearsing for its February public appearance. The play chosen is Grundy's "Hare and Hound." and said to be especially adapted to show to the best advantage the strong points in the various members of the Players. This affair as usual, is one of society's gain occasions.

Mrs. Jacob Wilson Grubb beautifully atertained at whist Wednesday after-toon, at her home at Echo Point.

"They talk about a woman's sphero As though it had no limit. There's not a place in earth or heaven. There's not a talk to mankind given. There's not a blessing or a woe. There's not a whisper 'yes' or 'no. There's not a life, a death, a birth. There's not a flether's weight of worth, Without a woman in it."

The Woman's edition of a daily paper s now well in go. The business mana-ter, editor, and staff have been fixed

Literary-Miss Elizabeth Cummins, Laterary—Miss Edizabeth Cummins Music—Mrs. George B. Caldwell. Educational—Mrs. John B. Garden. Charities—Mrs. Howard Hazlett, Art—Mrs. Frank B. Caldwell. Society—Miss Pollack.

Fashlon-Miss Pollnel Correspondence-Mrs. Harry J. Men

Household-Mrs. Della Carr and Miss allie Carter, Wit and Humor—Miss Bessie Higgins,

Young People's Department-Miss Business managers-Mrs. W. F. Buter, Mrs. George B. Caldwell. Mrs. John B. Garden, Mrs. George H. Ebelling. Mrs. Harry J. Mendel, Mrs. Charles S. Morrison, Miss Sallie McCollough, Miss Mary Hanle, Miss Lelia Llutle, Miss Virginia Miller.

The Spinsters, the club for many The Spinsters, the club for many years leading in things social, was called together again for the first time this winter yeasterday afternoon by Mrs. Harry Fillmore Stallman, in her apartments at "Harden's." An organization was effected and Miss Martha Dandridge Caldwell, one of its most popular members, chosen as president, Other officers are Miss Efflic Lewis, nicce of Mr, and Mrs. J. J. Jones, now in the south; Miss Mary McMechen and Miss Mary Mary Brockunier. The first social; revious to the wedding day.

Twentieth Century Girls were lingly entertained by Mrs. John for at the residence of her part, and Mrs. T. C. Moffat, on Charles W. Brockunler, on North Main street, Friday, January 20. The membraces Miss Martha D. Claive, price winners were Manile D. Grubb, Miss Sure M. Chalwell, Miss Mary McMechen, Miss Flora Wilson, G. Miss Henrietta Harace and Clark, of Yonkers, N. Y. Visi-

son, Miss Matilda Burt, Miss Effic Lex son, Miss Matilda Burt, Miss Effic Lewis, Mrs. Bessie Lumb Hamilton, Mrs.
Elizabeth Mendel Crockard, Miss Huida
Delaplaine, Miss Lillie Vance, Miss Gerdrude List, Miss Martha List, Miss
Frances Jordan, Miss Alma Hubbard,
Non-resident members are Mrs. Sidney
Ott Bellville, Mrs. Sara Meade Warden,
Mrs. Jessie Turner Marsh, Mrs. Nora
Simpson Tener, Miss Liestte Lamping
Laughlin, Miss Emma Wheat and Miss
Elizabeth Hubbard.

Mrs. George K. Wheat and Mrs. A Allen Wheat have Issued cards for a re-ception on Tuesday, January 17, be-tween the hours of two and five, at the Wheat home on North Main street, to present Miss Frances Wheat, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George K. Wheat, to society. Wheat, to society,

Mrs. Charles N. Hancher has Issued cards for a reception at her home on South Penn street, Island, on Tuesday afternoon, January 17.

Mrs. George K. McMechen leaves for Atlantic City and the east in a few lays.

Mrs. Frank LeMoyne Hupp is ill at er home on Fourteenth street.

Miss Annie L. Bowen, the charming guest of friends on the South Side, was very pleasantly surprised by a party of her friends on Thursday evening. The evening was spent in music and other social games, after which a delicious luncheon was served.

Mrs. Patterson's entertaining Havana

women wear masks and dominos till two in the morning; the matrons are in fancy dress, but neither masked nor dominoed. Of equal importance is the bachelor's ball, which is usually given at the Tacon theatre. It holds the same position in Havana society that a ball of the "Howling Swells" occupies in New York. The social season comes to me and about the hearining of May. an end about the beginning of May. Then society deserts Havana. Many families go to Playa de Mariano, which is about fifteen miles away, but the majority go to New York, whence they sall for Europe. Some, indeed, remain in this country and spend the hot sea-son at Saratoga, Bar Harbor and Newport, and last summer a number of prominent Cubans were to be found in the Adirondacks. Late in November or early in December they return to Haand and the rocial season opens. In Havana society, as in all society of Spanish or Portuguese origin, the formality of prefixing a came with Mr., Mrs. or Miss is done away with A person Is invariably addressed by his or her first name. A young bachelor does not hesitate to call a matron whom he has just met by her Christian name, nor does she hesitate to address him in like manner. Again a married woman is invariably known by her maiden name, Intat maiden name followed by 'de," which in its turn is followed by the husband's name, is printed on her visiting cards. After the death of the husband the words "widow of" are printed before his name. In Havana society, as in all society of

considered of far too great importance to be interfered with by minor affairs. A great ball is given every winter at the Caridad del Cerro, the recognized Cuban club of the city. It has generally been a fancy dress ball—the young women wear masks and dominos till two is the morning; the materials are in

Mrs. T. J. Hugus is a grip sufferer a ser home near Elm Grove.

MUSICAL WHEELING.

Musical Wheeling has much to interest it the coming week both in talk and in doing. A solid week of light opera, a brilliant concert at the Second Presbyterian church and a choir union ervice at St. Matthew's P. E. church, with usual weekly rehearsals, are the

It is recorded with regret that the Oratorio Society has decided to aban-don its meetings for this season. It and the Philharmonic are to be re-organized on a subscription basis.

The Woman's Club meets for rehear-sal this afternoon, and will be directed by Mrs. George B. Caldwell, president of the club. Mrs. Caldwell will con-tinue to officiate as director until the return of Mrs. Flora Williams from the Mrs. Patterson's entertaining Havana letters to the intelligencer has aroused interest in things social at the Cuban capital. A writer has the following to say of the "smart set" there:

The cost of social life in Havana is comparatively small. With an income of \$25,000 a Cuban family can afford to figure prominently in society, and needs in no way to be ashamed of its



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entertainments. The rent of a house is very small. The principal items for those who figure in society are the women's gowns. These are all imported directly from Paris. The best dressed woman in Havana and the one who may be said to set the fashion, is Mrs. M. A. Morales. The men follow the London fashions. The best dressed man in Havana to-day is Ramon/Mendosa, the son of a very wealthy lawyer and planter. During the late war Ramon ucted with the rank of captain as one of General Lawton's aides. Ramon is also the recognized cotillion leader of Havana. He is supposed to be leader of Havann. He is supposed to be clete, but seems to prefer a bachelor's

ife.
The life of a Cuban gentleman is one The life of a Cuban gentleman is one of case. He rises generally at 10 o'clock, takes breakfast, and reaches his office at about 1. His work is finished by 3, when he returns home. A slesta follows, after which he prepares or dinner and the opera or dance, as

he case may be.

An impression has been created in this country by writers that the womer of Havana society smoke digarettes walk the streets with mantillas covering their heads and attend the regular Sunday bull fight. This is not true. The women do not attend bull fights and do of wear mantillas. They do not smoke

eigarcties and are not berenaded at night by their lovers.

The average Cuban girl is pretty. The type is that of a pronounced brunette, with dark complexion, large black eyes and magnificent long black hair. But many Cuban girls used to ruin their beauty by covering their faces with a wash known as cascarilla. It gave them a ghastly appearance. Their lips were smeared with rouge; their eyebrows and eyelashes touched up. Of late years, however, this fixing up of faces has rather fallen into disrepute.

e. opera is the feature of the Ha-The open is the feature of the Havana season. The boxes are nearly all owned by the principal families, who purchased them when the theatre was built, and they have since passed from father to son as a sort of heirloom, The entrance to the Tacon theatre is on the Prado. A long strip of carpet is stretched from the marble steps to the sidewalk, and on either side of this carpet the young men in society await the sidewalk, and on either side of this car-pet the sound men in society await the arrival of their friends. This custom is dangerous, for tarely does an opera alight pass that, a duel does not spring up from it. A look or a glance is sufficient for an exchange of cards

about six weeks. During that season the small dances given at private

evening, Mr. Myers calls all intereste in the coming performance of "Th Three Black Mantles" to meet hir engagement that evening at the Ope House,

The concert arranged for Tuesday evening at the Second Presbyterian church will be an unusually attractive and brilliant one, as a reading of the appended programme proves. The solo performers rank high in the musical circles of the city, and it goes without saying that their work will be artistic. Mrs. George B. Caldwell and M Charles Zulauf are always heard wit genuine pleasure. Mr. Heinrich Har genuine pleasure. Mr. Heinrich Harall plano accompaniments. iearsals assure an evening of nusical enjoyment. There will be no neores and the programme in full, fol-

uncle" (reading).

Mr. Darrah.

(a) "The Brooklet". (a) "The Brooklet" Schubert
(b) "The Trout" Schubert
Mrs. Caldwell.
"The Old Sexton" Russell
"Come. Beloved" (by request)... Campani
Mrs. Caldwell and Mr. Zulauf.
Selected (reading).
Wr. Darrah.
Overture (organ)... Weber
Grand Fantasie (organ)... Clarke
Mr. Hartmann.

The Orpheus Society rehearsals as usual at the Conservatory of Music Tuesday evening. Professor Henry J. Arbenz, director. A magnificent programme is being prepared by the Opera House orchestra for its approaching annual concert, which will be given this season at the Arion. A large audience will be in evi-dence.

Thursday evening at Mozart hall, the Mozart society will be conducted by Professor Schookey. The election of officers takes place to-morrow, Mr. Charles Zulauf is the present president.

On Thursday evening, at St. Matthew's P. E. church, a very elaborate musical service will be given, begining at 7:30 o'clock. Through the efforts of arls R. Myers, organist and choir n

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25 Cents
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unhesitatingly say keep our irreducible school fund intact. It might be well to set a limit at which it must stop in

HERE AND THERE.

my Democratic friend, y your energy expend? s labor without end-For you can't beat Butts!

Why need you persevere?-For you can't beat Butts.

Andrew Sweeney's pretty fair, But seclusion he must share, Not the mayoralty chair— For he can't beat Butts.

Of the people-for them, too; You've been tried, and always true; And no other man will do-But you, Mayor Butts! Miss Virginia Harrison is soprano at the First Presbyteriun church during the absence of Mrs. Flora Williams. Miss Harrison is one of the most prom-ising of the younger singers in Musical Wheeling

Professor Edward Blumenberg has been given charge of the Beethoven Maennercher, neeting in the Egerter Block. Professor Blumenberg de-servedly, received the position.

All societies meet for rehearsals weekly since the New Year and the coming to public appearance of all is eagerly anticipated, especially the new Mandolin orchestra. The first concert by out of town talent a booked for the Opera House, January 39, and will be a treat of the highest or-

and the address given by Rev. N. S. Thomas. The choirs taking part are as follows: St. Luke's, Mr. A. A. Taylor,

lirector, twenty-five voices; St. Paul

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iddress. Mertory Anthem. Inflammatus. Presentation-Old Hundred.

Confession (Ely Use), Pater Noster, Gloria Patri-Unison,

Much Interest is being taken by Musical Wheeling in the coming local talent production of "The Three Mantles." a comic opera in three acts, the music by that ever popular writer, Bucolossi. The enst as selected by Mr. Myers for the characters is not yet ready for publication, but a meeting will be held at Milligan, Wilkin & Co.'s rooms on Monday evening at 8 o'clock, when all arrangements will be completed. nents will be completed.

PROF. CRAGO'S COMMENT

the Observations of Governo Atkinson Relative to Educational Institutions of the State.

to the Editor of the Intelligencer: SIR;-For more than a quarter of

entury the writer has been engaged in public school work in our young and growing state. He came to the state at a time when the "Macedonian cry" for nelp was being sent out to other states, It was a time when there were not teachers enough to fill the schools. He has seen the system grow to its present proportions, and he can hardly realize the progress made, It has been so great. In all these years he has been a careful observer, as well as a hard worker, and he thinks he knows something of what has made us what we are educationally and he unhesitatingly asserts that our system of normal school and our teachers' institutes have been two of the greatest factors in this great work.

The writer himself thought that

three normal schools, the number in operation when he came to the state, were sufficient to meet the demands and when those of Shepherdstown, Athens and Gleaville were established it was eared that the people might rebel and the whole system of normal schools would be abolished. The three schools would be abolished. The three schools mentioned above, were established by a legislature unfriendly to normal schools. It was done purposely to try to destroy all the schools; this can be proven by members of that legislature still living. One of the prominent members in a letter written to the writer, during the sitting of the legislature, stated that this was the case. But instead of, these schools being a hindrance to the cause, the sears of their existence, have proved that they were to the sections where situated just what was needed, and had they not been established hundreds of young men and women, who have for years been teaching successfully in our schools, could not have been doing so from the very fact that they were not able to go away from home to get the traching necessary to prepare them for tible to go away from home to get the raining necessary to prepare them for eaching. These schools are a necessity and we have none too many of them.

As to the recommendation of the governor that one purely normal school be stablished. I am sure that to make any proposed to the contract of the contract school, in any certain section of the one school, in any certain section of the state, different from the others, will not be a wise move. They ought to be more purely normal than they now are and they will be all that they should be, if they are filled with feachers that have a real knowledge of what our schools need, and with the ability to instruct teachers, i. e., teach them how to teach. If we have one purely professional school, let it be a school of pedagogy in the university. I do hope the members of the legislature will go slow in the matter of meddling in any manner whatever with our normal schools except it may be to make them more efficient. The way to do this is to appropriate money enough to employ the very best of teachers. No one can imagine that the writer has anything personal in this matter; all he wishes is to see our public schools become better year after year. Our worthy governor means well, no doubt, but there may be some things that even a governor does not know the come better year after year. Our worthy governor means well, no doubt, but there may be some things that even a governor does not know all about, especially matters, the details of which have not been made a specialty by him. I also hope that our solons will think long and well before they attempt to make a distribution of the irreducible school foud. I will not argue this matter, until some good reason is advanced to show that it would be for the best.

The argument that we have no responsibility resting upon us in regard to the education of future generations, i.e. that they will be more able to educate themselves than we are to educate themselves than we are to educate ourselves. One might as well argue that a parent is not under obligation to his offspring because they will have better opportunities to become educated than had the parent. Unless some better argument than I have ever yet heard advanced, be used, I would unhesitatingly say keep our irreducible school fund intact. It might be well to

set a limit at which it must stop increasing, but do not do away with it
creasing, but do not do away with it
entirely; it will be ay great big step
backwards. I do not write in a spirit
of criticism. Our governor has made so
many good suggestions, that he may be
pardoned for these two bad ones, i. e.,
bad in the humble opinion of the writer
whose life thus far has been spent in
the cause of public school education,
and who expects to continue in it yet
for years to come.

It is hoped that our legislators will
make the compulsory school law more
efficient and also make it so that it will
apply to Wheeling the very place
where it is most needed.

F. H. CRAGO.

Wheeling, Jan. 13, 1899.

He can run just like a deer, Do it easy, clean and clear, So why need you med clear,

p-year sentences, perhaps, y make wife-beating chaps his ticket angry raps— But they can't beat Butts.

Nor defeat him any way: Not of hope the faintest ray-For they can't beat Butts.

Oh, John Randelph Butts, the great! Wise and sound your curly pate! They can never strike your galt— For they can't beat Butts.

Every guest of the Howell House

has noticed the big, fat sleepy pug dog spread on the lobby floor before the fire in wintry days, or sprawled in the shade when summer heat holds the

snade when summer heat holds the boards. "Smoke" is the cognomen under which the big-bundle of dog rejoices. He is too lazy to answer to a call, except when it is uttered by his owner. Col. W. B. Irowell, between whom and "Smoke" there exists a bond of sympathy and good will words fail to describe. Colonel Howell doesn't fall short of lowering the scales to 300 pounds, and his pet makes it at 50 which is a heavy weight for the pugspecles, and the accumulated avoirdupols of twelve years' formation has degenerated "Smoke's" walk into a laughable wandle. At present "Smoke' is suffering from an ailment akin to asthma, and his wheezings shake his fat, tow-colored sides until he stops heaving suddenly, and snaps indignation from his sleepy old eyes at the amused spectators of his troubles. In his time, "Smoke" was possessed of more agility, and his owner speaks tenderly of the trips 'Smoke' has accompanied him on to St. Louis and other distant cities, but especially tender of the sitting in a Pittsburgh photograph gallery, where "Smoke" unconsciously climbed into a chair, in which a little child, the two-year-old son of Silas Hughes, once West Virginia superintendent of the Standard Oll Company, sat, and the opportunity being too good to lose, the artist immediately snapped the button.

The picture that resulted was a union that few artists could have suggested. At the Pittsburgh Exposition, some time later, the picture was reproduced in a large oil painting, for which Mr. Hughes paid a nice sum, and Mr. Howell treasures very highly one of the photos. The child and the dog were oid friends, and "Smoke" had jumped into the photographer's chair when he saw his little friend piaced there. As Mr. Hughes was unfortunate enough to lose his handsome boy by death afterwards, he retains a deep fondness for "Smoke," and has mado several offers for him to Mr. Howell, who declares he wouldn't part with him for any consideration. boards. "Smoke" is the cognomen under which the big bundle of dog re-

Recently, the Intelligencer gave some little space to the peculiar plan of campaign conducted by Drummer W. H. Paul, of the Opera House band and orchestra, Democratic candidate for city clerk. It was mentioned incidentally that the circulating medium of Mr. Paul's campaign cards was the envelope devoted to the sending of invitations for the Opera House orchestra's bi-weekly rehearsals at the Arion. Hall, his card accompanying the programme. The cards were peculiar, very, on one side being in large, black letters this astounding query: "Who is Pault". Then followed who he was—a drummer in the band, "a member of an organization," etc. Mr. Paul evidently feared his entrance into active politics might lead to the question he propounded, and he intended setting the public right. It wouldn't be his fault if the voters didn't know who Paul was. It was Tuesday evening, and Walker Whiteside was starring at the Opera House in "Eugene Aram." To the right of the crescent-shaped footlights sat Candidate Paul, in all his glory, and between the acts the audience feasted its eyes on his marvelous manipulations of the drum-sticks. The overture ascended from the grave to the gay, passing into hilarious, subjunctive and other moods, and climaxing in one long crash, wherein Brother Paul got in his fine work. It was a brilliant finish, and the last notes had hardly died away when a man in the gallery, enraptured with the drummer's ally that the circulating medium of

brilliant finish, and the last notes had hardly died away when a man in the gallery, enraptured with the drummer's work, cried out, far over the crowd; "Who is Paul?"

A silence, a titter and a wave hof laughter rippled over the house. A heightened color told that the cry had reached the jolly drummer's ear. "Who is Paul?" repeated the voice that wouldn't be stilled.

"Why an apostle, of course." growled

"Why an apostle, of course," great man who'd paid his way in, didn't want to be disturbed. "the Scriptures, my boy."

Considerable interest was aroused by the publication, in part, of the matrimonial statistics gathered by Front Admiral Sam/Harrison, and now that the number of marriage licenses issued in Wheeling for the year 1898 is known. it will be seen that Wheeling is ahead of Greater New York. According to Admiral Harrison, there were 55,328 marriage patents granted in New York, with the population of 3,549,558, for the year, being one for every 100 people, on a rough guess. Now, Col. Richard year, being one for every 100 people, on a rough guess. Now, Col. Richard Robertson, and his assistant, Charley Dannenberg, who ladie out marriage licenses in the county clerk's offlece, come forward with 553 as the result of a year's labor. Wheeling's population being about 35,000 it is easily apparent that matrimony is greatly esteemed in this city, and tossing in Ohio county, whose population, including Wheeling, is not over 42,000, the local bureau would have an average of about five licenses for every 400 people. It might be argued in opposition to this claim that many of the applicants come from Pennsylvania and Ohio, but their number is not large enough to whittle Wheeling's monors down.

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argument, and in proof of confidence being restored since McKinley took hold, the figures from the Ohio county clerk's marriage license records speak for themselves. The following was the number of marriage licenses for each of the three past years, all showing a healthy increase:

1896 486
1897 494
1898 553

Keeping a dlary is a hobby with people. Like other jobs, keeping a diary is hard, much harder than dairy and less remunerative. It also It is hoped that our legislators will make the compulsory school law more efficient and also make it so that it will apply to Wheeling the very place where it is most needed.

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deceased, and others, vs. Mary Goodwin and others.

By virtue of an order entered in the and others.

By virtue of an order entered in the another entitled causes on the 5th day of December 1588, it was referred to the undersigned 158 and the said court to ascerta from missioner of the said court to ascerta from missioner of the said court to ascerta from missioner of the said court to ascerta from the said to the real estate described in the bill in this cause; the persons now entitled therein with their respective interest therein and whether or not it can be partitioned in filnd among them.

Second—The amounts and priorities of the llens on said real estate, by whom incurred or given, and to whom such llens are payable, and what liens, if any, on said real estate are null and void, or have been satisfied and discharged, and should be released.

Third—Any other matters or things required by any of the parties to this suit or deemed-perlinent by said commissioner. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned commissioner has fixed upon Tuesday, January 23, 1895, at 19 o'clock a. m. as the time, and his office, at No. 141 Chapline street. In the city of Wheeling, in Ohio county, West Virginia, as the place at which he will proceed to ascertain and report the several matters in said order of reference required day of December, 1888.

C. P. FLICK.

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To all persons holding liens by judgment or otherwise on the real estate or any part thereof, of Carl Seemann of the state o

city of Wheeling, Ohio county, West Virginia;

In pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Ohio county, made in a cause therein pending, wherein Johanna Steinmann, executrix of the last will and testament of Carl Steinmann, decased, and others are plantiffs, and Mary Goodwin and the stein of the last will be stein the last of the last will be stein and others are plantiffs, and Mary Goodwin are as a defendants, you are hereby and each to present all chains held by you and each to present all chains beld by you and each to present all chains beld by you and each to present all chains beld by you and each known as the county of the last the last of the la County.

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